



DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

Clark County Mental Health Advisory Board Minutes March 30, 2005

Board Members: Judi Borchers, Bob Fizzell, Samara Gilroy-Hicks, Randall Kleinhesselink, Kristin Murphy, Tom Stallone, Quan Tran, Deb

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Members Present: Judi Borchers, Quan Tran, Kristin Murphy, Randall Kleinhesselink, David Weniger, Tom Stallone, Bob Fizzell

Staff Present: Midge Burmaster, Sela Barker, Karyl Ramsey

Members Excused: Samara Gilroy-Hicks, Jim Rogers

Members Absent: Deb Wallace

Guests: Carol Gross (Mental Health Northwest), Pat Beckett (Children's Center), John Furze (Children's Home Society), Laura

Osburn (Family Solutions), Don Koenig (Catholic Community Services), David Johnson (Ombuds)

Agenda Item	DISCUSSION	DISCUSSION LEADERS	DECISIONS, ACTIONS, MOTIONS, ASSIGNMENTS
I. Meeting Minutes Approval	The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by David Weniger, Chair.		Minutes from the February 23 meeting were approved as written.
II. A. Manager's Report	A summary of the Governor's and Senate budgets were distributed. Each budget contains funds to replace lost federal revenue (\$80/82 mil). Also included is a targeted vendor rate increase and an adjustment for community psychiatric inpatient rates, transition treatment for children, a new forensic ward at the state hospital and two new state evaluation and treatment facilities. The Mental Health Division's capital budget includes \$3 million for the Center for Community Health. Helen Hwang has resigned her position at the Dept. of Community Services effective March 31. The position has been posted.	Midge Burmaster	
	As a result of the EQRO site visit, the Mental Health Division has identified two items for response by the RSN. Issue One: Coverage and Authorization of Services; and Two:		

	Health Information Systems. The RSN had identified and implemented steps to address these issues prior to the EQRO site visit. A response will be submitted to the MHD for approval by April 29, 2005.	
II. B. Quality Manager's Report	At the April 6 Quality Management Committee meeting there will be discussion on agency site visits; a quality management process called Design, Measure, Assess and Improve.	Sela Barker and Karyl Ramsey
	The Treatment Plan Workgroup continues to meet to develop a universal form for all providers to utilize. The group may decide to continue to look at the assessment format.	
	Site reviews have been conducted at six agencies. Items reviewed include: billing, data integrity, personnel records, clinical records, and policies and procedures. Items common to all agencies will be addressed at future provider trainings. Thank you to the agencies for their patience during the visits.	
III. Ombuds Report	Approximately 10-20 Ombuds calls per month have been received and 2-3 cases per month have been opened. The past months have been a period of learning and defining roles. Soon David will begin increasing the visibility of the Ombuds by meeting with community groups and anyone else interested in how the Ombuds can be used as a way to resolve disputes quickly and effectively. Please give David a call if you have any questions or need Ombuds brochures.	David Johnson
IV. MHAB Sub- Committee Reports	Quality Review Team – A draft report on Older Adult Services was distributed for the board to review. The QRT interviewed older adult caregivers and agencies to gain an understanding of the awareness of mental health services. A final version will be available at the next board meeting. Contact Bob with any feedback on the report. The Adult Consumer Speak-Out is on April 9th at the VHA. Flyers have been provided to the adult agencies for distribution.	Bob Fizzell
	Crisis Planning Team – They are planning more CIT trainings this year.	Bob Fizzell
	There may be an opportunity at the University where students could increase the older adult penetration rate. Randy will look into this for further information.	Randy Kleinhesselink
V. Public Input	No public input.	
VI. Adjourn	The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m. so the board could attend the Youth House Open House.	